

CONTESTS TO DELAY ORGANIZATION OF CITY DEMOCRAT COMMITTEE

Old Guard in Full Control, but Board Must Be Named to Hear Conflicting Claims

MUST FINISH BY JUNE 19

Five contests between the Old Guard and the Reorganization factions in the Democratic party for the election of City Committeemen will prevent the City Committee from organizing and electing officers on Monday night, when the regular meeting is scheduled.

The contests are in the 14th, 25th, 30th, 44th and 46th Wards. The Reorganization and Old Guard factions held separate elections for City Committeemen in these wards and each claimed that its men are properly elected.

The election of city committeemen by the various Ward Committees again gives the Old Guard full control in the city. In only 10 of the 45 wards are the Reorganizers represented on the City Committee and this number includes the wards in which contests are still pending.

Ex-State Chairman Roland S. Morris' ward, the 7th, will not be represented on the City Committee this year, as Morris and his associates failed to file nomination papers for ward committeemen at the primary.

NEW COMMITTEE LIST

- 1-Former Magistrate James H. Toughill.
2-Frank Malone.
3-Max D. Lohr.
4-Andrew J. Burke, succeeding James J. Henry.
5-John Rowan.
6-James J. Murphy.
7-Walter B. Orms (new, formerly no committeeman elected).
8-John J. Hahn.
9-Charles Otto, succeeding Frank A. Rena.
10-Frank M. O'Brien.
11-Andrew F. Broughal, present committeeman, Charles Schurr, R. (contest, one to be elected).
12-Former Magistrate William H. Belcher, R.
13-Edward J. Leckie, R.
14-John H. Hauser.
15-Henry J. Leckie, R.
16-James J. Gillespie.
17-William H. Leckie, R.
18-Marcus A. Sholes, James F. Maloney, succeeding former committeeman Thomas P. Wiegand.
19-Edward Fitzgerald, Thomas Martin.
20-Seward J. Dennis, Patrick J. Howard.
21-Magistrate Edwin K. Borie, John McGowan.
22-Michael F. Leonard (present committeeman, elected as Reorganizer).
23-Jacob J. Betz, R. (present committeeman).
24-Charles H. Pennington, R.
25-Edwards Gray, Sr., Old Guard (contest, two to be elected).
26-Morrimer F. Carroll, John P. McHenry, R.
27-Charles A. Kelly.
28-Former Magistrate John J. Grell, R.
29-George W. Lehbert, R.
30-John P. Williams, succeeding Daniel O'Connell.
31-Michael Gerhardt, R.
32-Edward J. Leckie, R.
33-Leola J. Fabian, Joseph E. Fitzerald.
34-James A. Campbell, R.
35-Ewell G. Davis, R.
36-Thomas M. O'Brien, John P. Rattigan.
37-John J. Carrigan.
38-Thomas J. Gavanahan, Henry C. Kline.
39-Frank J. Tober, Peter J. Hallahan.
40-F. Frank L.
41-George W. Hankinson.
42-Nicholas Albert, Edward P. Lenahan.
43-Chris A. McCarthy, R. (new); Justice J. Quade, James I. McGowan (contest, two to be elected).
44-Frank O. Holtorf.
45-Harry J. Donahue.

"PALMER SPECIAL" TO ST. LOUIS

Old Guard delegates Perfect Plans for Convention Trip. Old Guard delegates and alternates to the Democratic National Convention met last night at the headquarters of the Democratic City Committee, 10th and Walnut streets, and decided that they would make the trip to St. Louis in a special train which has been chartered by the Palmer people.

On arrival in St. Louis the Pennsylvania delegation will be met by representatives of the Pennsylvania Society of that city. The society has planned a fine entertainment program for the delegation. The Democratic special will leave Broad Street Station Sunday morning at 10:25 o'clock.

MILITIAMAN TO SUE STATE UNDER COMPENSATION ACT

Pittsburgher Alleges Injury While Doing Strike Service. PITTSBURGH, June 9.—The first claim against the State by a member of the National Guard was made here by H. W. Wrengang, of this city, who injured his finger, according to his claim, while on strike duty at East Pittsburgh and Bradock during the recent Westinghouse troubles.

Wrengang is an electrician enlisted with Company F, 18th Regiment, and alleges he lost the index finger of his right hand in the speedometer cage of an automobile. Wrengang says his injury was received while he was doing strike duty as a member of the regiment. He was working on Major A. J. Henderson's automobile, he said.

DOCTOR SUES CHARITY BOARD

Reading Man Seeks Salary From Berks Directors of Poor. READING, Pa., June 9.—Dr. E. M. Bingham, a leading Reading physician, brought suit today against the Berks Directors of the Poor to recover five months' salary as physician at the county home. A similar suit was brought several days ago by Dr. Harry B. Schaeffer.

At their annual meeting, in January, the directors decided to have two visiting physicians instead of one, alternating every week in their attendance, the salary to be \$15 a month.

County Controller Rhoads has refused to pay their salary warrants on the ground that two physicians are unnecessary and that since they serve week about the county is no better off than it was before.

New Century Guild Board Meets

At the New Century Guild there will be a meeting of the executive board at 11 o'clock this morning in the guild house, 1707 Locust street. Tomorrow evening the 1917 Local Officers will be elected. Committees will be named previous to the business meeting on June 13. The next meeting of the guild will be on June 13.



PHILADELPHIA LAD ON TORPEDOED SHIP

John T. Hartman One of Few Survivors of Ship Sunk in Havre

John T. Hartman, of 2223 Amber street, 18 years old, returned to his home today after an absence of more than three months, fraught with the excitement and peril of being upon a vessel sunk by a German submarine.

Hartman signed as a deckhand on the Norwegian bark Silius, which sailed from New York, February 29, 1916, with cargo for Havre, France. On the night of March 9, at 10:30, in bright moonlight, while the Silius, after an uneventful voyage, was lying in the roads, three miles from Havre, she was torpedoed by the same German submarine that immediately afterward sank the steamship Louisiana of the French line.

Hartman, who was on the deck of the Silius and looking off shore, distinctly saw the submarine's periscope a minute before a torpedo struck the bark amidships. Hardly had the implement of death exploded than a second torpedo struck the Silius in almost the same spot, causing the deck of the bark to bulge upwards and throwing Hartman amid the wreckage. He suffered a fracture of a leg.

As the ship listed to starboard, the man slid with it and landed in one of the bark's boats, which with five other sailors within it, was cut from the wreck as the Silius sank to mingle among the many vessels that have preceded it to an untimely grave.

The entire complement of the Silius, consisting of 17 officers and the crew, were rescued by a French torpedo-boat destroyer, with the exception of Captain Hanson and two sailors, who were either drowned or blown to their death in the explosion. Hartman being the only survivor who was injured. He was taken to a military hospital in Havre, where he stayed six weeks, and about ten days after his discharge, received a passport and, through the instrumentality of the American Consul, was sent home on the Dutch steamship older, arriving in New York last Sunday.

While in the Silius boat Hartman saw the explosion of a torpedo as it struck the Louisiana, which sank before the bark's shipwrecked sailors were transferred to the French war vessel. About ten days later, while Hartman was still in hospital, the submarine was caught in a steel net off the entrance to Havre, and destroyed, while some of her crew were made prisoners of war after being rescued by the same destroyer that had rescued the survivors of the Norwegian bark. According to Hartman, many hundreds of German prisoners were engaged in digging cargoes of munitions and supplies from English, French and neutral ships at the quays at Havre.

TWO PASSENGERS SOAR SKYWARD IN BALLOON GREATER PHILADELPHIA

They Paid \$60 for Their Tickets at Auction in Aid of Temple University \$1,000,000 Endowment Fund

OFF TO A GOOD START

Two men who bid up to \$60 during the Temple University campaign to raise a \$1,000,000 endowment fund, for the right to ride, climbed into the basket of the balloon Greater Philadelphia on the United Gas Improvement grounds at the foot of Passyunk avenue today and waited for Dr. Thomas Edwin Eldridge, the pilot, to give the signal to cast off. The passengers, Charles W. Scully, a Germantown grocer, and Louis Wheelock, of Wyncoke, Pa., bought the tickets during the Temple campaign two weeks ago, when Charles H. Grakelov, one of the team captains, offered the tickets at auction in aid of the Temple fund.

Besides the two passengers and Doctor Eldridge, Dr. George H. Simmerman and Frank Morello, an assistant, were in the basket when the let-go signal was given today. The balloon was christened by Mayor Blankenburg at the opening of the season last year. It is the property of the Philadelphia Aeronautical Recreation Society.

Dr. Wilmer Krusen, Director of the Department of Public Health and Charities, and a trustee of Temple University, presented the Temple University colors to Doctor Eldridge before the balloon rose today. The colors will swing from the basket during the voyage and on the return of the party will be given to Dr. Russell H. Conwell, founder of Temple University.

The balloon rose rapidly when the anchor ropes were cast off. Unless air currents should threaten to carry the Greater Philadelphia across New Jersey and out to sea, the passengers and their pilots will stay up until forced to descend by lack of gas. Then an anchor will be thrown out as the balloon nears the earth and the basket will sink to the ground. The Greater Philadelphia made a trip of 285 miles last year to a point near Providence, R. I.

Mortgage on Broad Street Property

The Philadelphia Trust Company has taken a mortgage of \$60,000 secured on the premises at the northwest corner of Broad and Race streets, owned by P. Braude and used by him as a licensed saloon.

PREPAREDNESS WILL BE KEYNOTE TONIGHT AT MASS MEETING

Campaign for Increase of National Guard in Size and Efficiency to Be Started at Metropolitan

MILITARY MEN TO SPEAK

Philadelphia tonight is going to take definite steps to swell her National Guard, by holding a mass meeting at the Metropolitan Opera House, at which men prominent in military circles will point out the need for bringing the Guard up to the standard provided for in the bill recently passed by Congress and signed by President Wilson.

Preparedness will be the keynote of the addresses to be made, and the speakers will try to point out to the hundreds of young men who are qualified for service in the guard the folly of joining voluntary movements and week-end outfits which, although commendable in a way, amount to little more than a waste of time, according to army officers. If these same young men who are averse to enlistment in the National Guard would join the different regiments they would place themselves in the position of being trained by regular army officers and would develop into soldiers of the first class.

Major General Wendell P. Bowman, who was to have presided at tonight's meeting, but who will be absent from the city owing to a professional engagement, in speaking of tonight's event said it was important that the young men of our State realize the duty of enlisting to that spirit of patriotism which would make them eligible to serve their country should a call for service be made. General Bowman frowned on what he characterized as the "week-end outfits" or "voluntary movements," which are organizations and associations with a military leaning, but which are not under State or Federal control. He declared that if soldiers the young men of today would be, they must affiliate themselves with the legally constituted organizations subject to authority.

"The Guard today is short about 2000 men," said General Bowman, "and it would not be so if our young men, bred with patriotic fervor, would enlist in the Guard and place themselves in position of being properly instructed. It seems, however, that our young men, prefer the organizations that are not clothed with any authority and it will be the purpose of tonight's meeting to change their views concerning this matter."

Are You Prepared

For the high clothing prices of 1917? If not, take advantage of Oak Hall's Great June Clearinghouse Sale of Men's and Young Men's new Summer Suits now going out at cost of making!

Everybody Wondering

- How we can sell Young Men's all-wool Suits—Light in Weight and color, worth \$12 to \$20 (sizes 30 to 34) at \$5.00
-How we can sell both business and pinch back Suits worth \$13.50 and \$15—All wool and new at \$8.75
-How we can sell guaranteed all-wool summer Suits—many worsted pinch backs worth \$15 and \$16.50 for \$10.00
-How we can sell handsomely styled summer Suits worth \$16.50 and \$18. Blue serges and staples (guaranteed colors) for \$11.50
-How we can sell fine silk lined suits worth \$18 and \$20 sizes TO FIT STOUT MEN, TOO, at \$13.50
-How we can sell \$20 and \$22.50 Suits in every imaginable pattern, style and size (up to 48's) for \$15.00
-How we can sell finest \$22.50 and \$25.00 (hand-tailored finely woven worsteds) at \$16.50
-And how we can sell \$25 and \$30 Suits—in worsteds worth 50% more than normal for \$18.00

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You Get the Girl—We Will Furnish the Home. BRING THE June Bride To Stern & Co. for that New Home. You name the wedding day and Stern & Co. will have your home beautifully and completely furnished ON THE DAY YOU ARE MARRIED. Visit the "Palace of Furniture" now and see the elegant 4-room home outfits which we have assembled at the following prices, and realize that these homes are yours on small payments down, balance on easy weekly terms.

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